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OSWALD RYAN DESIGNATED CIVIL APRONAUTICS BOARD CHAIRMAN EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 1, 1952

It was announced today that President Truman had designated Vice-Chairman Oswald Ryan (R. of Indiana) as Chairman, effective November 1, 1952, for the balance of the calendar year. Mr. Ryan replaces Donald W. Nyrop whose resignation as a Board Member and Chairman was recently accepted by the President to become effective November 1, 1952.

Mr. Ryan has served as a Board Member since the agency's inception as the Civil Aeronautics Authority in August 1938, and as Vice Chairman since 1946.

Before coming with the Board Mr. Ryan served as General Counsel of the Federal Power Commission. He was educated at Harvard College and Harvard Law School.

In 1923 Mr. Ryan served under presidential appointment as a member of the European Immigration Commission to confer with the heads of governments in Italy, Czechoslovakia, Austria, England, and others.

During his tenure of office with the Board ha has represented the United States on a number of diplomatic missions abroad. He was a member of the U.S. Air Mission to Spain in 1944, and was one of the U.S. representatives who negotiated the air agreement with Canada in 1945. In 1946 he was one of the negotiators and signers of the important air agreement between the United States and Great Britain at Bermuda. He represented the United States in the multilateral treaty negotiations at Geneva in 1947 and has participated in several negotiations for bilateral air agreements. He was one of the U.S. representatives in the air policy conversations with the United Kingdom at London in 1949. Mr. Ryan is the author of several books and articles on government and law.
